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Pahokee Main Street set to form a new foundation

Plans are underway to form a new foundation that will serve as a vehicle which can be used to apply for grants that are available from a wide variety of foundations and government entities.

"The establishment of a foundation will allow us to apply for our own funding from outside sources which may be interested in the community as well as present a united front for the different entities involved in the economic revitalization effort," said Shirley Jarriel, Pahokee Main Street Coordinator. "We welcome the input of interested parties."

A meeting will be announced soon and everyone who would like to be involved is welcome to attend. Call 924-6332 with questions or suggestions.

Activities for seniors open and free

Glades residents 65 years old and older are invited to participate in activities held daily at the West County Senior Citizen Center, 2916 St. Road 15, Belle Glade.

Administrator Effie McNair said many fun activities are scheduled for the participants, including a birthday cake and punch party held the last Friday of each month. Other activities include weekly movies, monthly trips to the mall, and craft classes. Fire prevention and safety classes can be held in Seniors' homes and free blood pressure screening is offered.

For more information or transportation, call Mrs. McNair at 996-4808.

Registration for teen summit fills up

The planning committee for the Mayor's Teen Summit, to be held on Saturday, Feb. 7, is no longer accepting pre-registration applications. Committee members say they have reached their capacity and cannot accommodate any more participants.

Participants who turned in pre-registration forms by the Jan. 23 deadline will be notified by mail prior to the event.

Mayor Clarence Anthony would like to thank everyone for their interest in the Teen Summit.

Church hosting chili dinner and bake sale

A chili dinner and bake sale will be held Saturday, Feb. 7, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Canal Point United Methodist Church, 100 Second Street, Canal Point. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children.

Gospel Concert

Miracle Temple Ministries will host a gospel sing on Friday, Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. at the church. Singers from around the lake will be performing. Rev. Alvin E. Nichols invites everyone to attend.

Health Care District is set to take over Everglades Regional

The Board of Commissioners for the Palm Beach County Health Care District approved an agreement that, when approved by Everglades Regional Medical Center and the court, will begin a cooperative effort to transfer management control of the hospital from the private corporation to the District. The transfer of control from the private corporation at the hospital to the District comes at the written request of the members of the board who managed the hospital. It follows six years of litigation between the hospital and the Health Care District.

Palm Beach County Health Care District CEO Cecil Bennett says successful completion of the transfer back to the public control will have very limited immediate effect on the hospital's employees and no effect on the patients at Everglades Regional Medical Center.

Specifics of the transfer include the following:

- Surrender and return of Everglades Regional Medical Center facilities to the District.
- Assignment of cash, accounts receivable held by Everglades Memorial Hospital/Everglades Regional Medical Center to third party for collection and distribution.
- Agreement to cooperate and assist the District in securing books and records.
- Full disclosure of information: vendors, insurance, complaints/litigation, property.

- Invalidiation of 1986 and 1996 "Reorganization" of the hospital.
- Dismissal of all claims brought by Everglades Memorial Hospital, Inc./Everglades Healthcare Corporation against the District.
- Indemnification and defense.
- General releases to the District.

Bennett says the Health Care District will be happy to see the end of six years of litigation if Everglades Memorial Hospital, Inc. approves the agreement. "This end of the litigation process" will allow valuable resources to be diverted to patient care rather than to legal costs, and will allow the public input into decisions that directly affect the lives of more than 50,000 residents in our western communities," he said.

"Access to quality patient care is a major concern of the Health Care District and we will continue to strive to insure quality patient care in our western communities," Bennett said the Health Care District will work closely with the hospital to ensure there is a minimum affect on the patients who use the hospital and the employees who work there.

The Palm Beach County Health Care District is an independent special taxing district responsible for planning, funding and coordinating health care and trauma services for the residents of Palm Beach County.

Finally, a red light is going to go up on South Main Street

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

There's a light at the end of the tunnel...and it's a stop light. A traffic signal has been the first item on Belle Glade's city commission agenda for over a year, but bureaucratic red tape has kept it from becoming a reality until this week. Friday is the day that the poles and foundation will go up for a new traffic signal light on South Main Street, at the location between the Taco Bell on the east side of the street and the Big Lake Plaza on the west side.

Director of Public Services Gene Simmons says the light should be up and running within 30 days.

"This has been a long time coming," he said. Director of Public Safety Michael Miller agrees, saying, "Five years to be exact." He has worked to get a traffic signal in that area ever since several

fast food restaurants and the shopping center were built. But, the Department of Transportation for several years said a traffic signal was not warranted because they said not enough traffic was flowing at that location.

Miller said there have been several serious accidents at that location on South Main Street and one death, although he says the death cannot be directly attributed to the lack of a signal.

Two years ago, a homeless man was crossing the highway when he was struck by a semi just before he was able to get to the median strip. Longtime Belle Glade resident Imogene Goodlett was also in a serious accident at that location a few years ago.

"We'll all be glad to see that signal go up," said Miller. This will certainly have a positive impact on traffic safety in the area."

Much valuable work is being done on the Everglades

ing" the Everglades since it became an explicit goal of the state in 1983. In an effort to assist with the overall understanding of the complex issues surrounding Everglades restoration, a report titled "The Everglades: A Volatile Mix of Science and Politics" was prepared for elected officials and Everglades stakeholders prior to the first meeting of Florida's Joint

Legislative Oversight Committee on the Everglades. Written by former South Florida Water Management District Public Affairs Director Cathleen C. Vogel, the report is designed to provide background information on Everglades issues and to assess the current status of Everglades programs. The Sun is reprinting the contents of the report in a series of



COME SEE US AT THE FAIR... Palm Beach County Farm Bureau has its own tent at the South Florida Fair this year and Glades residents are invited to stop by and see the many displays and purchase vegetables grown in the county. The fair runs through Feb. 1. Shown, front row, from left are: Bonnie Dell and John Martin, Palm Beach County Farm Bureau Directors. Back row, from left are: Alexis Webb, Patrice Dell, volunteers, Eva Webb, President of PBC Farm Bureau and Farm Credit Marketing Manager, Janet Martin, volunteer, Lewanna Caruso, Executive Director of Palm Beach County Farm Bureau and Walter Webb with U.S. Sugar.

Belle Glade City Commission gives city attorney a 25% raise

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

"I'm worth it," said Belle Glade City Attorney John Baker, when asking commissioners for a 50% pay increase at Monday night's commission meeting.

Baker, who has been the city's attorney since November 28, 1962, was given a 25% raise, a \$25 an hour hike, by unanimous consent of the commissioners, bringing his hourly salary to \$125. He told officials he has not had a raise since 1966 and felt he deserved one. He was asking for a 50% raise in salary, but Vice Mayor Bill Mathis spoke out against a \$50 an hour raise.

Mathis told Baker he understood the attorney has gone many years without seeking a raise, but said, "I wish you had asked for a little all along, rather than hit us up for so much at one time."

Mathis made the motion for the 25% pay hike, noting that the attorney will continue to receive other city benefits as well.

According to Finance Director Dave Wood, the city's attorney gets an annual retainer fee of \$21,840 a year in addition to the hours he bills the city for legal work. He also gets to partici-

pate in the city's pension plan and receives health care under the city's self-managed policy. In addition, the attorney attends conventions related to city functioning at no cost and his wife is also allowed to travel with him at city expense on several trips.

Wood said the raise will be retroactive back to Oct. 1, 1997, when the city's fiscal year budget was adopted.

Where will the additional money come from since it wasn't in this year's budget? Wood says there is enough cushion in the legal budget to take care of the salary increase, if the number of hours billed by the attorney stays in the same range as past years.

Hours billed yearly by the city attorney, not counting his yearly retainer fee

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Florida cane representative calls for global free trade in sugar

A representative of Florida sugarcane farmers told a congressional trade hearing Friday that American sugar growers want an end to government barriers to world sugar trade.

Tony Contreras, vice president of the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida, told the visiting congressmen, "Because of our competitiveness, with costs of pro-

duction well below the world average, the U.S. sugar industry supports the goal of genuine, global free trade in sugar." Contreras added, "We cannot compete with foreign governments, but we are perfectly willing to compete with foreign farmers in a truly free trade environment."

The cooperative is a member of the American Sugar Alliance, the National Coalition of

Growers and Processors of Sugar beets, Sugar cane, and corn for sweetener. Contreras made his remarks at a House Agriculture Committee field hearing on "Agricultural Issues Relating to the 1999 World Trade Organization Multilateral Trade Negotiations."

Presiding at the hearing was Representative Tom Ewing (R-IL), chairman of the Risk

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articles over the next few weeks to help local residents understand the Everglades restoration project and how it affects the local economy.

Where to we go from here? If this discourse is beginning to sound like a chorus of "doom and gloom," it is not meant to be. Really, there is much valuable work being done - both in

terms of the water quality and the water supply needs of the Everglades. But because this work is underway, and not complete, we should resist the urge (political pressures) to run out and jump-start a Phase 2 Everglades clean-up program; or buy staggering amounts of land for which there are no specific plans to

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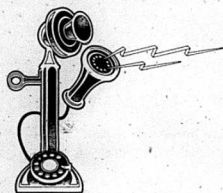
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Asthma-related problems take greater toll on women

Women with asthma are more likely than men to be bothered by breathing problems and to use more health-care resources to treat their asthma, even though lung-function tests indicate their asthma is no worse on average than men's, according to a new study published by the American Lung Association.

The study suggests that men and women responded differently to their asthma, and that this may account for gender differences in asthma-hospital admissions and use of asthma medications, rather than a real difference in the disease between men and women, said lead researcher Molly Osborne, M.D., Ph.D.

Almost half the women aged 35-55 in the study reported daily asthma symptoms, compared with one-third of men in that age group. Women in this age group used more asthma medication and were more likely than men to have gone to an emergency room for their asthma, even though lung-function tests showed no gender differences. Women also reported a worse quality of life

in areas such as physical functioning, social functioning, and bodily pain.

One recent study found that women were more likely than men to improperly use metered-dose inhalers (MDIs), which deliver asthma medication to the lungs. But, the new study found no such gender difference in the use of MDIs, according to Dr. Osborne, Associate Professor in Pulmonary and Critical Care at Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland.

"What we did find is that women with asthma are much more likely than men to smoke, which is a potent asthma trigger," Dr. Osborne said.

The study of 914 patients with asthma appears in the January issue of the *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine*, published by the American Lung Association.

There are a number of steps women with asthma can take to reduce breathing-related problems, Dr. Osborne said. First, if a woman with asthma smokes, she should quit. Women with asthma also

should use devices called peak-flow meters to monitor their lung function so they can treat a drop in lung function, before it becomes so severe that it requires an emergency room visit.

Women should consult with their doctor to ensure that they are using their asthma inhaler correctly, and to find out if there are ways they can reduce their exposure to allergens that can trigger asthma attacks.

Finally, women with asthma should work with their doctor to draw up an asthma action plan to deal with asthma symptoms early, before they escalate to a dangerous level, Dr. Osborne advises.

An estimated 14.6 million Americans suffer from asthma. Asthma prevalence rates, which have been on the rise in recent years, have been rising faster for women than for men.

For more information about managing asthma, call the American Lung Association of Southeast Florida at (561) 659-7644 or 1-800-330-LUNG.

Learning to live with Panic Disorder

By Paula Swaford, RN

Most of us can remember waking from a "bad dream" with our hearts beating rapidly, our palms sweating, our breaths ragged and gasping and an overwhelming sense of fear. It usually took just a second or two, before we realized that what we had just had was indeed a dream...not anything real or existing. However, about one in 75 people have this sort of feeling, many times without any warning. They suffer from what is known as Panic Disorder.

This serious condition usually surfaces during the teen years or early adulthood. While the exact causes are unclear, there does seem to be a connection with major life transitions that are potentially stressful, like getting married, graduating from college, etc.

The hallmark of panic disorder is the panic attack itself. This is a sudden surge of overwhelming fear that comes without warning and without any obvious reason. The symptoms can include a racing heartbeat, difficulty breathing, feeling as though you "can't get enough air," terror that is almost paralyzing, dizziness, nausea, trembling, sweating, shaking, choking, chest pains, hot flashes or sudden chills,

tingling in fingers or toes, and a fear that you're going to go crazy or are about to die.

You may be thinking that these are symptoms of the classic "fight or flight" response that humans experience when

der as men.

Many people show a type of 'situational avoidance' associated with their panic attacks. If they have had an attack while driving, for instance, they will start trying to avoid driving and eventually can develop a phobia or fear of driving. They are more afraid of the actual attack than they are of specific objects or events, for instance: their 'fear of flying' is not that the plane will crash, but that they will have a panic attack in a place, like a plane, where they can't get to help.

Treatment for this disorder is readily available, with a recommended combination of cognitive and behavioral therapies from qualified clinical psychologists or psychiatrists. Medications are appropriate in some cases also. The treatment doesn't work overnight, but requires the person to comply with the treatment plan religiously, and improvement should be noticed in 10 to 20 weeks.

Keep in mind, though, that Panic Disorder, like any emotional disorder, isn't something you can either diagnose or cure by yourself. Seek an experienced clinician and join a support group if there is one available. Check with the Internet sites also, they have some options as well.

Until next time... stay informed and stay healthy.



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we are in a situation of danger. But in a panic attack, these symptoms seem to rise from nowhere, and can even happen while you are asleep.

The attack occurs suddenly, without any warning and without any way to stop it. The level of fear is way out of proportion to the actual situation, and it usually passes in a few minutes, but repeated attacks can continue to recur for hours. It is frightening, because it makes you feel totally 'out of control, and crazy.'

People who experience Panic Disorder frequently develop phobias that can affect them adversely. They can range from mild social impairments to a total inability to face the outside world. In fact, the phobias that people with Panic Disorder develop do not come from fears of actual objects or events, but rather from fear of having another attack.

All ethnic groups are vulnerable to panic disorder, and for unknown reasons, women are twice as likely to get this disorder

CHILDREN'S HEALTH CORNER

By Faye Brandenburg

At first your child doesn't feel well. "Kinda tired," is all he can tell you. When you put him to bed you notice a couple of little bumps on his tummy, maybe mosquito bites, you think. The next morning, there are dozens of little bumps, and some may even look like tiny water blisters. Hello, chickenpox.

Chickenpox is a fairly harmless malady that can strike adults as well as babies and children. For a week or so, the discomfort is almost continual. First there may be a mild fever, then blisters, itching and finally scabbing. In very rare cases, chickenpox can lead to more serious ailments.

For parents, there is one consolation to your child having chickenpox. After your child has had it, it's gone for good (unless you have another child in the house who hasn't been through it before).

If the fever or itching is making your child really uncomfortable, you can give him acetaminophen (Children's Tylenol), says Philip Colaizzo, M.D. Your physician can give you directions for the correct dosage for your child's age and weight, and you should always consult your physician before giving any medication to a child under two years of age. Dr. Colaizzo reminds everyone

never to give a child with chickenpox aspirin, because it has been linked with Reye's syndrome, a potentially life-threatening complication.

Another way to help lower your child's temperature is to bathe his skin with a cool cloth or put him in a cool bath. Be sure the water isn't so cold that your child shivers, however. A baking soda bath is one of the best ways to soothe the itching. Stir about half a cup of baking soda into a shallow bath and use a washcloth to spread the bath water over all affected areas of skin.

Check with your physician for correct dosages before giving your child over-the-counter antihistamines to help control the itching. Avoid over-the-counter topical hydrocortisone; these kinds of steroid creams and ointments are available in pharmacies and are ordinarily used to fight inflammation and itch. They will inhibit the child's own immune system from fighting the virus in the area where it is applied and may even allow the virus to generate further. Calamine lotion with phenol works well as a topical anesthetic and can help with the itching. Just dab it on particularly itchy areas, don't smear it all over the skin and it shouldn't be used more than three or four times daily.

Avoid bundling your child

up; dress him in light, cotton clothing or pajamas. Keep your child fresh and clean with a daily bath or shower, and clean pajamas for the night to reduce the risk of sores getting infected. Explain to your child that he should try not to scratch, because it could cause infection or scarring. Chances are, your child can't completely ignore the itch all the time, so supply a cool, wet washcloth he can use to rub itchy areas gently, to keep him from ripping his skin open.

You should contact your doc-

tor if your child has more than a few sores that are excessively swollen, red or painful. These may be infected and your doctor may want to prescribe antibiotics.

Contact your pediatrician if your child has a fever after the sores have begun to scab over, or has a high fever accompanied by severe headache, vomiting, disorientation, convulsions, or experiences pain when the neck is stretched.

As always, when in doubt, contact your physician and remember, children are special.

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Sidewalk needed on U.S. 441

"We are in desperate need of a sidewalk for the pedestrians going south into town on U.S. 441, because the pedestrians are a hazard to drivers because they do not have anyplace to walk.

Thank you very much."

Calls about the residency issue

"You were talking about residency in the City of Belle Glade (Jan. 22, 1998 edition). The mayor or said he wishes he had '10 Sue Teets, and David Wood and Gene Simmons.' Tell him to

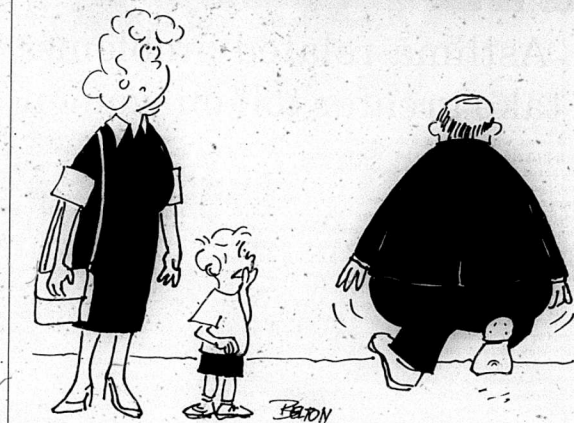
get off the buddy system and look around Belle Glade and he can find them.

There are competent people living in Belle Glade who would be glad to go to work for the city. Just get off the buddy system."

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"I'm addressing the issue of Belle Glade firefighters and police officers not living in town. The article is featured in the Jan. 22, 1998 issue of *The Sun*.

In the article, vice-mayor Bill Mathis tells us, See *Speak Out*...Page 5



"HEY, MOM! I THOUGHT YOU SAID DARK COLORS ARE SUPPOSED TO MAKE YOU LOOK SMALLER."

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to comments made by Mayor Steve Weeks in the Jan. 22 edition of *The Sun* regarding Belle Glade Police and Firefighters living within the city limits.

First of all, I would like to let it be known that I know Mayor Weeks personally and I like him very much. However, I am upset by his quote, "for one, would love for them to live here. It was a tough decision, but they had two issues of concern, public education and health care. How do you ask someone to move to Belle Glade when these two things aren't at an acceptable level."

Later in the article, he says he sees these areas as critical. I would like to know how he came to this conclusion. I would also like to know how many hours, minutes, or even seconds the mayor volunteers in local schools to help improve the quality of our schools.

I feel we have excellent schools out here. Five of our schools are indeed on Commissioner of Education Brogan's list of critically low performing schools, and that's referring to test scores. However, I do not feel it is due to the education they are receiving in our schools. We have excellent administrators, teachers and support staff members. Teachers are having to act as teachers, nurses, counselors, parents, you name it. A lot of our children come with baggage I know Mayor Weeks and myself

never had to carry or face.

This is a very hard thing to combat in the classroom, but we are. The students in Belle Glade receive an education that is equal to, if not better than, that which students everywhere else receive. I know several who have moved to Wellington only to find that they must either move back or bus their kids to school here.

From the people I have talked to, it is the fear of gangs or violence that worried them about the city where they moved. The behavior problems the schools are facing are more serious than when either Mayor Weeks or myself, (and I'm only 27) were in school.

Teachers also have few consequences to hold over students to deter this behavior.

A lot of times parents will say "if you could paddle them or if you could do this they would behave better," however, our schools out here are both safe and providing an excellent education for our students.

The teachers out here are taking a beating from Brogan's list and now Mayor Weeks' comments.

If you ask me, out of the concern for the firefighters and police officers listed, I see the main concern being shopping and social entertainment opportunities. I feel our mayor should pay less service to helping our city grow in this area and actually working with other city leaders and community members to help.

I love Belle Glade personally and do not feel it's a problem that we don't have these things. At times it is, but it's not a major issue, however I do see where it would be difficult to recruit quality firefighters and police officers to work and live here given these inadequacies compounded with their low pay. Our current firefighters and police officers are to be commended. I do however agree, wholeheartedly, with Commissioner Mathis that they should live within the city limits along with the city officials. I think if they live here they will take a more serious interest in improving the city. Otherwise, they go home to their own city and may feel (or may not) "who cares what Belle Glade's like. I don't live there."

I commend Bill Mathis for trying to tackle this issue and if I had a vote in the matter I would vote for Bill Mathis for mayor. I'm glad I voted for him for commissioner.

If anyone cares to know, I am not a relative of his. I don't even know him, but I do appreciate the job he is doing as a commissioner for us. I also do appreciate the job the mayor does for us but I am disappointed in the comments he made toward the educators and health care system here in Belle Glade.

Sincerely,
Sherrille Dalany
Belle Glade

When used properly, air bags save lives and put few at risk

To keep your air bag or not to keep your air bag. That is the question. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recently announced plans to offer some people the option to install air bag on/off switches in their vehicles. But, experts say that the overwhelming majority of Americans and their families are safer with an air bag as long as they follow a few simple safety steps. A limited number of people may not be safer with an air bag, and they may want to consider a switch.

That's the message the Air Bag Safety Campaign and the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Emergency Physicians, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the Brain Injury Association and the Emergency Nurses Association delivered immediately following NHTSA's announcement.

A panel of medical specialists also released the Final Report of the National Conference on Medical Indications for Air Bag Disconnection. "I hope the findings provided in this report help put in perspective the risks that air bags pose," said Dr. Tilman Jolly, Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at the George Washington University Medical Center. "Only a very limited number of people would actually benefit, medically, from deactivating their air bags. Most people are better off with their air bags left on."

NHTSA's announcement comes after much public debate about the safety of air bags and the risks they pose to children, in particular. "Right now, when people are evaluating their choices regarding air bags they need the facts," said Janet Dewey, Executive Director of the Air Bag Safety Campaign. "And the facts are... almost all of the people who have died from air bag-related injuries were either unbuckled or improperly buckled."

According to NHTSA, 49 children have died as a result of serious fatal head or neck injuries caused by an air bag. According to crash investigations, virtually all of these children were unrestrained or improperly restrained. Of those who were improperly restrained, 12 were infants riding in rear-facing child safety seats that were improperly placed in front of a passenger air bag, two 8-year-olds and a 2-year-old each weighing under 40 pounds were wearing adult lap and shoulder belts, (the correct restraint for children this size is a booster seat) and others had slipped the shoulder strap

behind them. The speed at which an air bag deploys creates an instant buffer that, with safety belts, protects people from serious injuries in a head-on collision. During pre-crash braking, unrestrained drivers and passengers are thrown against the hub of the bag is housed. Individuals who are not wearing their lap and shoulder belts and/or are riding less than 10 inches from where the air bag is housed can receive serious or fatal injuries from deploying air bags.

"The risks that air bags pose to children can be entirely eliminated when kids ride properly restrained in the back seat," said Dr. Marilyn Bull, a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics. "Parents should know that, with or without an air bag, children are significantly safer riding in the back seat."

Air bags are a supplemental restraint and, when combined with safety belts, reduce the risk of serious head injury by 75 percent, compared with a 38 percent reduction for belts alone. Air bags reduce the risk of fatal injury by 30 percent in frontal crashes.

"The steering wheel itself is a primary cause of injury to drivers during a crash," said George A. Zitzan, Ph.D., President and CEO of the Brain Injury Association. "That is why it is important to sit back as far as possible from the steering wheel whether or not the vehicle is equipped with air bags."

The vast majority of Americans can retain the benefits of air bags and virtually eliminate the risks by maintaining a safe distance between the steering wheel and the chest, properly buckling all occupants with lap and shoulder belts and properly restraining all children 12 and under in the back seat.

NHTSA says, if all children were properly restrained all of the time, we would save an additional 630 children's lives and prevent an additional 182,000 child injuries each year. Currently belt use in the nation stands at 68 percent. Last year nearly 9,000 adults died because they were not wearing their seat belts.

Maximize the benefits and minimize the risks by following the ABC's of air bag safety:

- Always slide the seat back and sit back
- Buckle everyone
- Children 12 and younger ride properly restrained in the back seat

Citizens have a right to access public information

Editor's note: From time to time we receive calls at *The Sun* from citizens wanting to know how they can obtain certain information. Some want to know about city government actions, county record information or police information. We tell them they have a right to know a lot of the information they are seeking because Florida is a leader in the country in that area, being the first state to implement the Government-in-the-Sunshine Law.

Would you like to know what your new neighbor just paid for his house? Whether your uncle filed bankruptcy or not? You can find out this information, and much, much more by visiting the West County Courthouse and looking it up on their computers. Starting this week, *The Sun* will run a series on the Gov-

ernment-In-The-Sunshine Law and your rights as a citizen. Hopefully, this information will empower our readers to know what is considered public record and what rights you have under the law.

What is the scope of the Sunshine Law?

Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Law, commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, provides a right of access to governmental proceeding at both the state and local levels. The law is equally applicable to elected and appointed boards and has been applied to any gathering of two or more members of the same board to discuss some matter which will foreseeably come before that board for action. There are three basic requirements of a 286.001, F.S.:

(1) meetings of public boards of commissions must be open to the public;

(2) reasonable notice of such meetings must be given; and (3) minutes of the meetings must be taken.

Virtually all collegial public bodies are covered by the open meetings mandate, with the exception of the judiciary and the state Legislature which has its own constitutional provision requiring access.

What agencies are covered by The Sunshine Law?

The Government-in-the-Sunshine Law applies to "any board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of a county, municipal corporation,

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Belle Glade Police Dept. arrest blotter

The Belle Glade, Police Department handled 754 complaints, worked 23 crime scenes and gave 19 traffic citations the week of January 12-13. Those arrested included:

January 19- No arrests made.

January 20- Rubert Crawford, 54, possession of narcotic paraphernalia.

January 21- Juvenile, 16, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon; Calvin Daniels, 39, failure to appear; Jesus Romero, 20, possession of marijuana under 20 grams; Wilson Dorcely, 21, contempt of court and child abuse by

impregnation; Juvenile, 14, domestic battery.

January 22- Rosa Wilkerson, 36, disorderly intoxication and opposing and obstructing a police officer; Willie Harvey, 36, possession of cocaine and possession of cocaine with intent to sell; Rolando Banda, 35, child abuse; Tyjuan Shannnonhouse, 19, grand theft; Wilfred Demelier, 19, aggravated battery.

January 23 - Victor Cardenas, 35, carrying a concealed firearm and reckless display of a firearm.

January 24 - Artie Snead, 25, sexual battery on a mentally defective person; Darnell

Sanders, 20, failure to appear; Fred Williams, 48, contempt of court and domestic battery; Levern Smith, 49, felony retail theft.

January 25 - Jacob Starling, 19, domestic battery; James Davis, 43, domestic battery.

The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated.

Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

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or political subdivision." These include: civic service boards, county boards, education boards (Board of Regents and district school boards), grievance committees, human relations boards, interlocal agreement boards, mental health boards, municipal boards, planning boards, the Public Service Commission, regulatory boards, screening committees and special districts (fire control district, mosquito control district and South Florida Water Management Board).

Boards or commissions created by law or by a public agency are clearly subject to the provisions. A public officer may be an "agency" for purposes of cre-

ating a board or commission subject to the law. For example, in *Krause v. Reno*, the court held that a city manager was an "agency" for purposes of the law when he utilized an advisory group to assist him in screening applications and making recommendations for the position of chief of police.

What types of discussions are covered by the Sunshine Law?

The Sunshine Law applies to any gathering, whether formal or casual, of two or more members of the same board or commission to discuss any matter on which foreseeable action will be taken by the public board or commission.

What kind of notice of the meeting must be given?

The type of notice that must be given is variable, however, depending on the facts of the situation and the board involved. In some instances, posting the notice in an area set aside for that purpose may be sufficient; in others, publication in a local newspaper may be necessary. In each case, however, an agency must give notice at such time and in such a manner as will enable interested members of the public to attend the meeting.

Next week: Continuation of where public meetings should be posted, and public records.

Pahokee Police Dept. arrest blotter

The Pahokee Police Department made five arrests the week of January 19-25. Those arrested included:

January 19- No arrests made.

January 20- Juvenile, 15, pick up order for violation of a judge's order.

January 21- Eltonys Hickman, 27, warrants for aggravated battery, criminal mischief, and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

January 22- No arrests made.

January 23- Dewey Hendrix, 21, warrant for grand

theft auto.

January 24 - Michael Howard, 27, warrant for two counts of burglary; Sharon Atkins, 34, throwing a deadly missile.

January 25- No arrests made.

Crimestoppers



Eddie Larry Holland

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate Eddie Larry Holland, who is wanted for shooting into an occupied vehicle and failure to appear on charges of criminal mischief.

Holland is a black male, 5'11" tall weighing 160 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. His date of birth is March 8, 1978, his Social Security Number is unknown, and

his last known address was 816 C Place Avenue, Apartment 4, Belle Glade. His last occupation is unknown. His warrant was active as of January 20, 1998.

If you know the whereabouts of Holland, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

South Bay Police Dept. arrest blotter

The South Bay Police Department made nine arrests, gave 61 citations, 12 written warnings, handled 14 offenses, five incident reports, 47 misc. incidents and one accident the week of January 18-24.

Those arrested included:

January 18- No arrests made.

January 19- Richardo Sanchez, 34, active warrant.

January 20- No arrests made.

January 21- No arrests made.

January 22 - No arrests made.

January 23 - Samuel Terrell McKenzie, 27, petty theft; Phillip Chastine, 34, violation of probation and order of commitment.

January 24 - Dean Harris

Wutike, 19, possession of marijuana over 20 grams; Brian Eugene Robinson, 20, possession of marijuana; Jonathan Daniel Sapp, 19, possession of marijuana over 20 grams; Richard Ronald Abbott, 24, possession of marijuana.

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use or capacities to manage; or make assumptions about what the final phosphorus standards for the Everglades will be before the research is complete; or mandate that new taxes must be imposed to pay for programs which we have yet to define.

Rather, we should stay the course and move forward aggressively to complete the "largest environmental and clean-up program of this type ever undertaken." We need to:

Be steadfast in our efforts to complete the mandates of the Everglades Forever Act and to build the Everglades Construction Project on time and on budget;

Complete the research on water quality standards for the Everglades and alternative technologies for achieving those standards; continue to seek funding from the federal government for its share of the Everglades Construction Project and for retrofitting the C&SF project; complete regional water supply plans and undertake a stepped-up program of water resource development as required by legislation passed in 1997 in order to meet the water supply needs of south Florida including the Everglades.

Most importantly, we need to engage the public policy debate over what our restoration goals for the Everglades really are. They have yet to be defined or articulated in a manner that provides a useable guide for action by the state's leaders. The goal of Florida's Save Our Everglades program is that by the year 2000, the Everglades will look and function more like they did in 1900 than when the program was begun

in 1983. This is a fairly nebulous goal that provides little detail or criteria as to what we mean by a "restored Everglades." Some have argued that the Everglades of 1800 should be our goal. Since the Everglades are now only half their historic size, is our goal to create a smaller, but naturally functioning Everglades system? Or, by buying disjointed parcels because they were once part of the Everglades, are we setting a course to simply own as much of the original Everglades area as possible without having a good idea of how, or if, the property will be used to promote restoration of the ecosystem? If so, will the proposed multi-purpose Water Preserve Areas meet the same fate as the Water Conservation Areas: designed with multiple purposes in mind - to capture and store stormwater as well as preserve fish and wildlife - only to evolve into single purpose areas because of their former status as Everglades?

Until we are able to come to grips with what we mean by Everglades restoration and the compromises which must accompany restoration, we will forever be caught up in contentious and emotional political debates and legal battles over the issues. Perhaps a good start would be to revisit the lessons learned from Kissimmee River restoration where we spent years developing demonstration projects and mathematical and physical models - and completing the science - before making premature decisions about what a restoration plan would entail. The state established specific ecological and hydrologic criteria to define Kissimmee

restoration. The adopted restoration plan was designed to meet those criteria, but it also recognized the limitations of full-scale restoration and the social disruption that would result from any attempt to completely restore the river to its pre-drainage condition. Rather, the plan enacted a compromise wherein the human needs for flood protection and navigation would be safeguarded and the more intensively developed areas adjacent to the river would be left intact. This would allow two-thirds of the river (22 miles) and 40 square miles of the river's floodplain ecosystem to be restored.

It will require effective leadership to still the raging rhetoric of the Everglades, to allow well founded, scientifically-based programs to move forward, and to strike a sustainable balance in fashioning policies for the Everglades and for south Florida as a whole. The last ten years have witnessed significant rhetoric, legal maneuverings and the casting of blame by various interest groups. Despite delays, the cleanup of the Everglades has moved forward and real progress is being made. But Florida cannot afford to rewrite its Everglades' restoration program every three years.

Instead, during the next ten years we must dedicate ourselves to the challenging task of implementing the Everglades Forever Act while we allow science and sound public policy to guide the Everglades restoration and water supply development programs essential for the economic future of South Florida.

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the readers, that the estimated economic loss caused by the officials living out of town was between \$750,000 to \$1 million. And Chief Miller tells us that the main reason officials live out of town is a lack of pay.

Wouldn't everything work out if we used the money made from the officials not living here to raise the officials' salaries? Maybe I'm wrong, but I felt like addressing this issue.

Valentine's Day Dance to benefit Harrelle-Breaker Memorial Scholarship

A Valentine's Day Dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 14 at the Belle Glade Elks Lodge, BPOE 1716 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Participants must be 18 years or older to attend.

The cost is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door and includes a hamburger/hot dog dinner.

For more information, call Erin Meadows at 996-5981; Shannan Kirchman at 996-7721 or the Elks Lodge at 996-9170.



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Thank You

The family of the late Ibrahim Alava, wish to thank everyone for the flowers, cards, prayers, food and support. A special thanks to Father Louis Ainetto for taking care of the spiritual needs of the family and to the Belle Glade Alliance Church Family, Pastor and Pat Green for their loving kindness, support and prayers.

A very special thanks to Glades General Hospital for the nursing and emergency room staff, Dr. Venugopal, and all those involved in the special care you gave my husband, our father and grandfather.

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Obituaries

- Week of January 29, 1998

Ibrahim Alava, age 70, died January 21, 1998. He was a native of Cuba and lived in Belle Glade for 35 years.

Mr. Alava retired from Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative in 1989.

Surviving are: wife - Enriqueta Barredo; sons - Ibrahim Alava, Jr., Henry Alava of Tampa; brothers - Luciano Alava of Cuba, Roberto Alava of Cuba, Armando Alava of Miami, Ernesto Alava of Miami, and Julio Alava of New York; sisters - Julianna Alava of Cuba, and Rosa Martinez of California; grandchildren - Trey Alava, Shawn Alava, Luke Alava and Kendall Alava.

Services were held January 23 at St. Philip Beniz Catholic Church.

Interment followed at Queen of Peace Cemetery in Royal Palm Beach.

Mixon Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Christopher Cady Davison, age 88, of Pahokee, died January 22, 1998 at Everglades Regional Medical Center, Pahokee.

A native of Puerto Rico, he was born on July 8, 1909, son of the late Solon Andrew and Mary Chaplain Cady Davison.

He had made his home in Pahokee since moving from Cuba in 1961.

A veteran of World War II, he served in the United States Army. An Artillery Forward Observer, he served with the 718th Field Artillery Battalion of the 63rd Infantry Division. He saw action in France and Germany and received a Combat Disability Discharge.

He received the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, the World War II Victory Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and a Certificate of Commendation.

From 1926 to 1960 he was employed with the United Fruit Sugar Company in Cuba. Prior to his retirement, he was employed with Osceola Farms for 23 years as Personnel and Safety

Director. He was the originator of the annual Florida Sugar Cane Safety Conference.

He recognized the potential of the Yates Aluminum Hand Guard for cane cutters which later became standard equipment in the sugar cane fields.

He is a life member of Post 4445 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Gretna, a member of the Disabled American Veterans, and a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 650, Port St. Lucie. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marina Margarita O'Burke Davison, on May 8, 1992, and his son, Christopher Charles Davison, on September 3, 1995.

Surviving are nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was conducted Saturday, January 24, in the chapel of the James A. Bennett Funeral Home. Father John Mericantante, pastor, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Pahokee, officiated.

Interment followed in Queen of Peace Catholic Cemetery, Royal Palm Beach.

The James A. Bennett Funeral Home, Pahokee, had charge of the arrangements.

D.G. "Buck" Herring, age 88, from Belle Glade died Sunday January 18, 1998 in West Palm Beach. Mr. Herring was born in Headland, Alabama and moved to Belle Glade in 1932.

He was a local farmer for many years and a member of the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade.

Mr. Herring is survived by his loving wife Inez, of Belle Glade; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday January 21 at the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade.

Interment followed at Port Mayaca Cemetery. Mixon Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

The instinct to teach

Well into the school year, February provides a convenient point for reflecting upon what happens in our classrooms. Just what is essential for true learning to take place?

Most of us have the good fortune of being able to recall a teacher who made a great difference in our lives. There was probably someone - maybe more than one whose wisdom, knowledge, and simple acts of caring made an impression on us in our formative years that would last a lifetime. In all likelihood, it was a person who sought no special recognition other than the satisfaction of knowing that a young person's mind had been enriched and a spirit encouraged.

But how many of us got around to saying "thanks"?

Luckily some folks do speak up. At the beginning of term this year at Iyomont School in Washington, D.C., more than 400 people gathered to celebrate the retirement of Shari Gelman and Lillian Davis. These two teachers combined for three-quarters of a century of caring and nurturing children. In the appreciative audience were former students, now adults, who were

children with multiple disabilities when they first met this dedicated pair.

From the humblest of beginnings in a single room in a church basement, these two persistent women built a program that in time expanded, first to several rooms in several churches, and eventually to a building that now houses more than 170 children.

Understanding the special needs of their students, Mrs. Gelman and Mrs. Davis created innovative programs in language, development, music and art, and computer technologies. As a result, hundreds of young men and women, who otherwise might have been totally dependent, today have the chance to be as independent and productive as any "able" members of society.

"All we can ask in our lives," says Mrs. Davis, "is that perhaps we can make a little difference in someone else's."

It is clear these two teachers realize that no matter how high the social barriers, no matter how constraining the physical barriers, students can be reached at their level of comprehension. Their former students

recalled that from their teaching was built on praise, no matter how small the act to be complimented. Teaching was caring enough to make critical corrections in positive terms of encouragement.

This is an instinct that all great teachers share - the Gelmans and Davises and the thousands of others who enlighten youngsters in the classroom: the instinct to know what people need, and the wisdom and skill to provide it in a way that is meaningful to them.

Clarence, the angel from the movie classic, *It's a Wonderful Life*, said it best: "No one was ever born to failure." It is a lesson not only for teachers and students, but for all of us.

Before summer vacation arrives, quicker than we can imagine, why not let someone who once touched you with a guiding hand, or who is currently making a positive difference in the life of another, know of your sincere appreciation.

Great teachers and educators are among our society's most prized treasures. But then, so is everyone who makes a difference for the better - for another person.



On display at the Belle Glade Chamber, Helen N. Spann. "My mother the artist," says Ann Tyler. "My mother loved painting and literature. Her deepest desire was for me to be an artist. She spent the last part of her life painting and writing with the urgency of a Van Gogh! The results are mostly in my attic, but through the month of February I'm pleased to share a small piece of my utterly unique mother with those who care to see her charming impressionistic work."



Use visual media to show how "One Person Can Make a Difference"

Lights...camera...action! The Christophers have announced their 11th Annual Video for College Students, with a deadline for entries on June 12, 1998. Winners will receive cash prizes and will have their videos aired on the syndicated television program, *Christopher Closeup*. The theme for the contest is "One Person Can Make a Difference."

Entries may be created by using film or video, but must be submitted on 3/4-inch or VHS tape only, and must be five minutes or less in length. The contest is open to all currently enrolled college students, on both the undergraduate and graduate level. Students may enter more than once, but each video must convey the idea that "One Person Can Make a Difference" and must be accompanied by an official entry form.

The first, second and third prize winners will receive \$3,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000, respectively. Previous winners have used a variety of styles and genres, including drama, satire, documentary, animation, news format and music videos.

Father Tom McSweeney, Director of the Christophers, said, "As someone who spent many years as a college professor, I know the impact this type of contest can have on students. It is a great tool for making them aware of the world around them and how they can affect it."

To receive an official entry form and the complete rules of the contest, please call 212-759-4050, or write to The Christophers, College Video Contest, 12 East 48th Street, New York, NY 10017; or visit The Christophers' Web site at www.christophers.org.

Founded in 1945, The Christophers is a non-profit organization which uses the media to encourage people to make a difference in the world around them. They use television, radio, publications and a Web site to spread their beliefs. Their motto is: "It's better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

Pre-Teen America

Scholarship and Recognition Program

Recommendations are now being accepted for the 1998 Pre-Teen Florida Scholarship & Recognition Program to be held in June 1998 at the Doubletree Hotel-Tampa Airport Westshore in Tampa, Florida. Recommendations may be submitted by parents, teachers, school administrators, etc. Pre-Teen South Florida is not a beauty pageant, it is, however, a by-invitation scholarship and recognition event. Only young ladies 7-12 years of age with a high academic ranking are accepted to participate. In addition, young ladies are accepted who have been recognized for their outstanding personal achievements, volunteer services, school involvement, leadership ability or creative talents.

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It looks as if we may be having a wetter than normal winter. Along with that, though, is the fact that so far it has been much warmer than normal. The lake is still rising and at a level of almost 18 feet msl. This puts a lot more water out there for the fish to hide in.

One of the biggest considerations in selecting an area to fish in is the water color, which is directly affected by the wind. If you can find an area protected from the wind with grass in it, then the water will stay clean enough to fish. A good rule of thumb is if the wind is in the northerly direction, then go toward the northern part of the lake to fish, and inversely, if the wind is southerly then go south to fish. Of course, you must give some thought as to what direction the wind has been blowing the past few days also.

With the higher water levels the fish have many places that they can move into which has clean water, but is not accessible by boat because of the heavy cover and thick bulrushes. You must keep in mind that the fish are starting to move to spawning areas and that will be a hard bottom and

clean water about 4 feet deep on the average. Some smaller fish will spawn in shallower water at times.

If a cold front has just come through before your trip to the lake, try flipping a Texas rigged crawdad with a 1oz. Gambler sinker attached to it. This heavy weight will allow your bait to penetrate the heavy grass and get down to the fish underneath. With cloudy and windy days before a cold front, you will find the fish in more open water hitting a spinner bait and a 10" plastic worm. An 8" or 6" worm will work also, but I prefer the larger worm if fishing for the big fish.

The Everstart Tour will be coming to Lake Okechobee the last week of January with their FLW Tour qualifying series. The top anglers in the Everstart Tour for the year will be able to move up to the FLW Tour next year. The event will be held at the Okeetantee Recreation area near the city of Okechobee, on the banks of the Kissimmee River.

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Tornado predictions can help save lives

By Mike Lyons

Bob Miller was about to break the rules. Miller, an Air Force Captain at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma, was convinced that severe thunderstorms would develop in the vicinity of the base. Miller was also sure that one of those thunderstorms would spawn a tornado.

It was March 25, the start of tornado season in the region called Tornado Alley. But the year was 1948, a time when the government decreed that it was illegal to predict tornadoes. Bob Miller was about to break the rules.

Miller phoned another meteorologist, Major Ernest Fawbush, for advice. Fawbush drove to the weather station immediately to go over the latest weather maps and hourly reports.

There wasn't much data. Miller and Fawbush did have access to a radar but there were no weather satellites or sophisticated computer programs. They hadn't been invented yet.

Yet the two men did have experience forecasting the weather in Oklahoma and both agreed that severe weather was headed their way. In addition, Fawbush concluded that a tornado was likely to form.

The two men wrote the severe weather forecast together, advising residents of the Air Force base to keep an eye out for severe thunderstorms, including the possibility of a tornado. Then, the men waited. The tornado that roared through Tinker Air Force base that night was very strong. It caused considerable damage, a few injuries, but no fatalities. No one died, because Miller and Fawbush had told everyone what to expect.

It was the first tornado forecast in American history and it turned out to be right on the mark. Within a few years, the U.S. Weather Bureau, a forerunner of today's National Weather Service, was issuing public tornado predictions on a regular basis.

On March 23-25, the National Weather Service will honor

the work of Miller and Fawbush with a special celebration at Tinker Air Force Base. The event will recognize the milestones in tornado forecasting over the past 50 years, including the rapid advancements in severe weather



watches and warnings that have been realized in recent years through the new Doppler radar and interactive computer systems.

The Golden Anniversary Celebration will also highlight

Corp doing pulse releases from Lake Okechobee

Rising levels in Lake Okechobee require larger releases.

Despite efforts to bring water levels down in Lake Okechobee, water managers are increasing the rate of discharges to the St. Lucie Canal and the Caloosahatchee River.

On Friday, Jan. 23, the level of Lake Okechobee was 17.48 feet. Once that levels rises to 17.5 feet, the regulation schedule for the lake requires releases to be increased. These larger

Police seek help in store burglaries

On Tues., Jan. 27, around 12:24 a.m., members of the Belle Glade Police Department responded to the Town Star located at 1624 N.E. Ave. 17, Belle Glade, in reference to an alarm. Upon arrival, officers found the business to have been burglarized.

During a continuing investigation of the burglary, Lorenzo Emanuel Green, DOB: 2-13-72, 801 C Place #1, Belle Glade, was arrested and charged with Burglary to a Business and Petit Theft. Green was later transported to Belle Glade's County Jail under no bond.

The B.G.P.D. is continuing to investigate other area convenience store burglaries. Anyone with information is urged to contact the B.G.P.D. at 561-996-7251.

releases have the potential to impact salinity levels in the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie River estuaries - something the South Florida Water Management District says they will be monitoring very closely.

Part of the increase in Lake Okechobee's level continues to come from water flowing south from the Upper Kissimmee chain of lakes. Lake Okechobee and tributary areas received so much rainfall in December that pulse releases were begun. However, Lake

Okechobee continued to rise, requiring the steady release of water, known as Zone C releases, beginning the first week of January. Once the larger Zone B releases are initiated, it will mean an increase from 2500 cubic feet per second to 3500 cubic feet per second into the Caloosahatchee River.

"These are the levels of releases that are unfortunate, but necessary, to protect the levee system around the lake," said Samuel E. Poole, III, the District's executive director.

"We know that these larger releases will impact the estuaries, but if we were to try to send the water south, the additional water would aggravate impacts on nesting populations of the Cape Sable Sparrow."

As part of their on-going monitoring of the estuaries, district scientists will be initiating daily monitoring of salinity levels at key locations to evaluate potential biological impacts on the estuaries from the larger releases.

Florida Lottery celebrates 10 years

The Florida Lottery celebrated its 10th anniversary on Jan. 12, with news the entire state can cheer about.

With sales surpassing the \$21 billion mark, the lottery has earned more than \$8 billion for Florida's schools. No other state in the nation has ever earned that much revenue for its state in its first 10 years of operation.

"It's gratifying to hold a national record, but what we're most proud of is the \$8 billion we've earned for Florida's schools. None of this would have been possible without our loyal players that enjoy our games and promotions," Lottery Secretary Marcia Mann said.

"It's important to remember that the \$8 billion earned for education was all voluntarily collected revenue, not tax dollars," Secretary Mann said.

That amounts to approximately \$2,000 earned for every household in Florida, which did not have to be paid through taxes.

The Florida Lottery is a unique entity. It is a \$2-billion-a-year sales operation that operates under the rules and regulations of a state agency.

Florida law is very specific in defining how lottery money will go to Florida schools, the statute earmarks 50 percent of every dollar in sales to be returned to players as prizes. Lottery players have won more than \$10 billion in prizes since the games began. That's another national record. Florida is

the only state lottery to award \$10 billion in prizes in its first decade of operation.

Florida Lottery prizes average \$19.2 million a week. Millions of players have won Florida Lottery prizes. Of those, more than 500 players have won multimillion dollar prizes.

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Glades Day Gator Tales

"Let's go dancing!"
Glades Day School's Student Council is sponsoring two dances in the month of February for students in grades 7-12. A junior high school dance for grades 7-8 only is scheduled for Friday, February 6, from 8-11 p.m. in Tripp Hall. Dress is semi-formal; males are required to wear slacks, a dress shirt and tie, but a jacket is optional. Tickets are \$5 per person.



The NJHS students will act as volunteers in helping with all the work that is needed to put on the festival, and the NHS members have a very special entertainment planned. We won't divulge the details at this time, but we will say the students are spending a lot of afternoons "juggling" objects around!

The elementary safety patrol is sponsoring a yard sale Saturday, February 7, at the Latin Grocery in Belle Glade. Anyone who is getting a head start on their spring cleaning and would like to donate any goods, they will surely be welcomed. The safety patrol is also having a car wash at GDS on Saturday, February 14. Tickets may be purchased from any member, or contact the elementary office at 596-4140.

Mrs. Jami Brown's fifth graders have adopted a "Gator-Teddy" program and are preparing to send teddy bears traveling across the country. The class has adopted four little bears that will be mailed to different states. They will have a note attached asking for people to send a message telling them where the bear is and a little information about that state. The students will track the bears' travels on a large map.

PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE: Monday, February 16 will be a school holiday in honor of President's Day.

It's the girls' turn to ask the guys for the MORP dance for grades 9-12 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. on Friday, February 21. Dress for this "backwards prom" will be casual - jeans are acceptable. Tickets for this event will be \$3 per person.

Congratulations to seventh grader Nicky Sanchez, who won the school's junior high spelling bee earlier this month. He, along with runner-up Blake Herring, will represent GDS at the Palm Beach County Spelling Bee on March 3. Another seventh grader, Ronny Brown, came in third and will go as an alternate.

Fresh off the success of the Pancake Breakfast, the NJHS students and 11 NHS members will be representing GDS at the Very Special Arts West Festival to be held at PBOC Glades Campus on Wednesday, February 4.

Pahokee's Blue Devil's

By Sharonda Wade
Pahokee H.S. Student

January 16 - Outside, it was black as tar. Inside, it was like putting New York inside of the White House.

Friday at Glades Central, the annual basketball game between the Pahokee Blue Devils and the Glades Central Raiders took place. The gymnasium was packed tightly with both teams' families and super fans.

As soon as the teams took their positions on the floor, the crowd went wild. Let's go Raiders! Let's go Devils! At the beginning of the game the Blue Devils took control of the ball. Not only did the Pahokee Blue Devils take control of the ball, they also scored the first couple of points.

Within a flash the situation changed, from Pahokee controlling the game to Pahokee being controlled by the Glades Central Raiders.

Quickly the Raiders began their comeback, out scoring the Devils in both periods.

The Pahokee Devils played hard but their effort did not accomplish a win.

Although both teams demonstrated high levels of sportsmanship, the Glades Central Raiders defeated the Pahokee Blue Devils.

(Raiders 59 -- Pahokee 44).

Once again the Raiders elevated their record by their record by the occasion.

January 23 - It was like placing the shoe on the other foot. The Pahokee Blue Devils did just that. By stomping all over the Glades Central.

The Blue Devils basketball team hosted the Clewiston Tigers. Both teams demonstrated determination to win the basketball game. But only one team came out on top.

The Pahokee Blue Devils took control of the ball with the help of Bernard Jackson scoring 12 points and having 16 rebounds.

The Clewiston Tigers tried to keep up, but were stopped in the middle of their game plan. The Devils plan was even better. Shanard Edmond scored 12 points, and kept adding to the score board.

Aquan Boldin scored 17 points and had 3 steals with only a couple of seconds still on the clock, and scoring the winning basket.

The Pahokee Blue Devils defeated the

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Bass Champions Team Trail names new director

AnglerSport, Inc., the parent organization of the Bass Champions Team Trail, has appointed a new tournament director for its third Florida division. The new director for Bass Champions FL-03 is B.L. "Bud" Miller, who brings over 10 years experience in tournament promotions in the Midwest and Florida to the Bass Champions circuit.

FL-03 was originally scheduled to cover only Lake Kissimmee but under Miller's management, the division will now include tournaments on the Lake Harris Chain and Lake Istokpoga in addition to four on Lake Kissimmee. Miller can be reached at (941) 638-1320.

The new schedule for FL-03 is as follows: Feb. 1 - Lake Kissimmee; Feb. 2 - Lake Harris Chain; Buzzard Beach Ramp; Apr. 4, Istokpoga/Istokpoga Marina;

May 16, Kissimmee/Camp Mack; June 6, Lake Harris Chain; Buzzard Beach Ramp; July 11, Kissimmee/Camp Mack; Aug. 2, Kissimmee/Camp Mack.

Two other divisions are scheduled in Florida. FL-01 will hold all seven tournaments on Lake Seminole, with the kick off to be held Feb. 8. The local director is Dan Hogan (ph. 850-581-7494). FL-02 will hold eight tournaments on St. Johns River (Palatka) and Rodman Reservoir, with the kick to be held Feb. 14. The local director is Ed Taylor (ph. 850-328-8899).

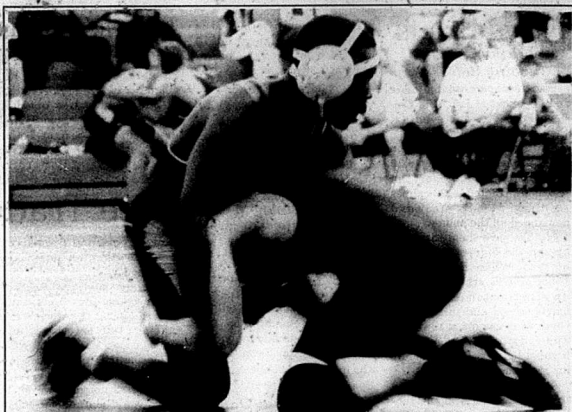
The tournament entry fee is \$110 per team, with a 70 percent payback to 20 percent of the field. Each angler can choose their own partner, and both must become members of Bass Champions. Annual membership is \$25 per person.

Members of Bass Champions can qualify for the year-end

national championship by fishing in at least five local tournaments and by finishing in the top 15 teams of their division. The 1998 Bass Champions Team Challenge will take place September 22-26 at Lake Neely Henry in Gadsden, Alabama. The Team Challenge has an expected payout of more than \$175,000 in cash and prizes, including five guaranteed fully-rigged John Storie's Hawk bass boats.

To join Bass Champions, call AnglerSport headquarters at (850) 492-4800.

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Glades Central Wrestling Team - Calvin Devol, a 10th grader, keeps his feet on the ground to prevent his opponent from taking control. Go Calvin!

Go, go, go Raiders!



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Youth caught after robbing Bob Yee's

Four teenagers wanted more than take-out at Bob Yee's Chinese Food Monday evening, they wanted money.

The juveniles entered the Chinese restaurant about 6:30 p.m. Jan. 25. One of the teenagers pointed a .22 caliber revolver at Mr. Yee and demanded all the money.

Mr. Yee gave them the money and the four suspects fled on foot. When Belle Glade Police officers arrived they set up a perimeter around the neighborhood and three of the youth were caught in the area. The fourth male was later brought to the police station by his grandmother.

All four teens confessed to their participation in the robbery. The firearm used in the robbery was also recovered.

Gospel meeting set

V.P. Black, preacher, lecturer and writer will be the speaker in a series of lessons at the Church of Christ, 125 N.W. Ave. D, Belle Glade Feb. 8-11.

Evangelist Black was born in Lamar County, Alabama into a family of 10 boys, four of whom

became gospel preachers.

The community is invited to hear V.P. Black speak at 10 and 11 a.m. on Feb. 8 and again at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 8-11.

Choir anniversary

The Inspirational Church of God, 165 S.W. 6th Avenue, South Bay, will host their annual Choir Anniversary on Saturday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. and again on Sunday, Feb. 1 at 3 p.m. Pastor Johnny W. Johnson, Sr. invites residents around the lake to attend.

Concert at Mt. Calvary

The mass choir of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church will be in concert on Sunday, Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. The church is under the leadership of Rev. Leon Camel, who invites the public.

Valentine's Day Dance

A Valentine's Day Dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 14 at the Belle Glade Elks Lodge, BPOE 1716 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Participants must be 18 years or older to attend. The cost is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door and includes a hamburger/hot dog dinner. For more information, call Erin Meadows, 996-5981 or Shannon Kirchman, 996-7721.

Pahokee Chamber banquet to feature a silent auction

It's not too late to make reservations for the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet. The event will be held Thursday evening, Feb. 5, at 7 p.m. New this year is the addition of a silent-auction to raise money for the chamber and sugar policy.

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Pahokee Main Street.

We are excited about the addition of the silent auction to our banquet activities this year. Everyone is invited to come out and join the fun," said Chamber Executive Director Alice Thompson. "Items available for bid include a

microwave oven donated by Royal Furniture Inc., garbage disposal donated by Larry's Air Conditioning; a beautiful basket of hair care products donated by Kim Branch, a box of delicious steaks donated by Foodland, a gold bracelet donated by Gilbert's Jewelers,

and many other wonderful opportunities too good to miss." The banquet and silent auction is sponsored jointly by the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce and Pahokee Main Street.

Call 924-5579 for reservations and information.

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Management and Specialty Crops Subcommittee that has jurisdiction over U.S. sugar policy.

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rationality, to ensure fairness." To help guarantee a fair transition to free trade, Contras made several suggestions:

- "Other countries must reduce their supports to U.S. levels in the next trade round before American farmers are asked to do anything more."

The United States should not reduce its supports any further unless other countries have, at least, complied with their Uruguay Round commitments," Contras noted that foreign agricultural support levels far exceed U.S. levels. He also pointed out that the unilateral reforms made by U.S. agriculture in the 1996 Farm Bill far exceeded U.S. commitments in the Uruguay Round, the last round of multilateral trade reductions.

- Contras says: Because of the high government-imposed costs of producing sugar in the United States, "The wide gap in labor and environmental standards between developed and developing countries must be taken into account in the

next trade round, and addressed in a manner that ensures global standards rise to developed-country levels, rather than fall to developing-country levels."

- Because of the wide disparities in support levels among nations, "the formula-driven" approach, which calls for equal percentage reductions by all nations, "does not work for agriculture," says Contras. "We can turn our unilateral concession to our advantage only if we follow a request/offer strategy. Essentially, we provide foreign countries the incentive to reduce their government programs by promising to reduce ours further when, and only when, they have reduced their practices to our levels."

Contras also asked that export subsidies, "the most distorting practice in the world agricultural trade," and the monopolistic practices of state trading enterprises, which were ignored in the last trade round, be given top priority in the next trade round.

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1. Electing one Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
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NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1998
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following is the Schedule of Regular Meeting and Landowner Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Highland Glades Drainage District for the Calendar Year 1998. The meeting dates, time and locations are noted below:
1998 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING SCHEDULE FOR HIGHLAND GLADES DRAINAGE DISTRICT
All of the Highland Glades Drainage District's Board of Supervisors' Meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month unless date conflict with a holiday at 2:00 p.m. at the Law Office of Caldwell & Priddy, 324 Royal Palm Way, 3rd Floor, Palm Beach, FL 33480. The Annual Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative, West Sugar House Road, Belle Glade, FL 33430.
MEETING DATES
Monday, February 9, 1998
Monday, April 13, 1998
Monday, June 15, 1998
Monday, August 10, 1998
Monday, October 12, 1998
Monday, December 14, 1998
Published: The Sun, January 29, 1998. Legal No. 98-07

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
The City of Pahoee-Palmer and Firefighters Pension Board will meet at Tuesday, February 10, 1998, at 4:30 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
Published: The Sun, January 29, 1998. Legal No. 98-14

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Pahoee-Palmer and Firefighters Pension Board will meet at Tuesday, February 10, 1998, at 4:30 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
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NOTICE TO
LAWN MAINTENANCE CONTRACTORS
The Palm Beach County Housing Authority will accept sealed bids for full service lawn maintenance for our South Bay location. Sealed envelopes should be clearly marked "Lawn Maintenance Bids" and submitted to the Housing Authority, 1000 Highway 1, Pahoee, at 2:00 p.m. on February 10, 1998 at our office, 3432 West 45th Street, West Palm Beach, Florida, and proposals will be opened at the time of the bid opening. Bid opening will be held February 17, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. in our office at the above address. Specifications and site plans are available at the above location between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award any contract to any contractor in its sole discretion without being obligated in any manner. By order of the Board of Commissioners, Palm Beach County Housing Authority.
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